

# The Oxford County Citizen

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BETHEL, ME.—RUMFORD, ME., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1909.

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## A SWINDLER WAS H. H. BRONSON,

The Promoter of the Celebration at Canton Park

Skipped with Receipts early in Day.

There were many disappointed and badly swindled people on Canton Fair grounds last Monday. The much-anticipated Labor Day sports and races and balloon ascensions did not occur. The reason was because the manager skipped out with the receipts about an hour after the arrival of the morning trains. It is estimated that he took about \$500 with him.

A large crowd went from Rumford on the morning train, including the band, which had been engaged for the celebration. Dr. Sturwood went, having been engaged to be one of the judges in the horse racing contests that were advertised, and many other prominent Rumford men, including Stanley Bisbee, were there. The base ball teams were there, and the man with his balloon was there, but so far as learned, no horses were entered for the races.

It appears to have been a deliberate swindle.

A man giving the name of H. H. Bronson was the manager and promoter. He operated from Lewiston, giving in his press correspondence no address but post office box 277. The letters were poorly written, but well spelled. The composition was none of the best, but as the celebration was a Labor Day affair, the impression seemed to be, from the general style of the letters received in the CITIZEN office, that a man whose occupation was mechanical was the writer, and that such a man was taking advantage of the occasion to promote an enterprise that would furnish a good day's sport, and, incidentally, make a few dollars for himself. In some places he represented himself as being a representative of an athletic association.

Reporters reached the Canton Fair Association officials Sunday that there might be something crooked, but when the base ball fellows, the Rumford Band and the balloon man arrived, they were a little easier in their minds. But to make sure that the man could not leave without paying for the grounds they had a warrant sworn out for his arrest. It was intended to serve it if necessary. Shortly after the crowd were on the grounds, and no one came to direct the progress of things, some one went to the box office and found it empty of man and money. It was then learned that just a moment or so before the manager had been seen to go into the bushes by the road side. An investigation showed that he had gotten into an automobile and started towards Livermore Falls. Officers were immediately put on his trail.

## THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE HELD IN ABEYANCE.

Richard L. Melcher and Lucian W. Blanchard went to Augusta to consult Lawyer Heath regarding the legal points in the bridge building proposition, as it now stands in Rumford. The town has voted to build the bridge, and the location has been determined by the county commissioners, and at another town meeting the approval was voted. There has been an appeal entered to the Supreme Court by the leading opponents of the bridge. That appeal is from the decision of the county commissioners. There is also talk that if the selectmen should attempt to issue bonds, according to the vote of the town, that an injunction would be asked for, to restrain them from so doing.

The information given Mr. Melcher and Mr. Blanchard was to the effect that pending the appeal from the commissioners' decision, it will not be legal to award a contract for building the bridge. It is understood that the bridge commission will accept this advice as sound, and will await the court's decision regarding the appeal. The general opinion is that the only effect of this will be to delay the laying of the foundations and placing of the abutments until next spring. It was intended to get the abutments in this fall, so that the bridge might be completed by the middle of next year.

## THE NORTH POLE HAS BEEN SPIKED,

Once--Twice-- by Uncle Sam's Hernes,

Dr. Frederick Cook in 1908, Com. Robert E. Peary in 1909.

The world has been shaken from zone to zone twice during the past week by two different Americans pegging away at the North Pole trying to nail the stars and stripes so firmly that they will never get away until the sounding of Gabriel's trumpet. Not that the pegging away was during the past week, but the vibrations made by the pegging having been frozen stiff for several months, and have just answered to "Old Sol's" August warmth and limbered up for a race around the globe.

For 300 years explorers have been trying to penetrate the icy North and locate the North Pole. Again and again have the efforts of the bravest and most skillful proven fruitless. Not the least among the number is our own Robert E. Peary who started on his fourth voyage early in 1908. He had hoped to announce to the world about this time that he had succeeded in accomplishing his life-long purpose, and on Sept. 1, when many were anxiously hoping from day to day to hear the glad news, there flashed out from the Eastern hemisphere the news that Dr. Frederick Cook of Brooklyn, N. Y., had found the pole. The messages stated that the pole was reached on Apr. 21, 1908.

While the world quite generously accepted the message as true, yet skepticism found its place in many a heart, and the question of "Where has the explorer been since Apr. 21, 1908," was naturally asked. So that as it may, on Sept. 6, Peary gives the world another jab by announcing that on Apr. 6, 1909, he too nailed the stars and stripes to the ice-bound pole. Complete statement has not been made by the explorer as we go to press. But it looks as though the pole is no longer to stand in defiance to the world. The next personally conducted party by the editor of the Citizen will be to the North Pole. Secure your tickets early to avoid the rush.

## BLANCHARD FAMILY RE-UNION AT EAST DIXFIELD.

The fifth reunion of the Blanchard family was held at the home of Lee and Susie Blanchard at East Dixfield Sept. 4th, which fourteen of the family attended. Besides the host and hostess, there were present Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Colburn and grand daughter of Farmington, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blanchard and three children, Ralph, Beatrice and Mabel, of Canton. A bounteous dinner was served at noon and a pleasant day was passed. In the evening eleven friends and neighbors joined the family, and a corn roast was enjoyed. The next reunion will be held at the home of J. H. Blanchard at East Auburn.

## OXFORD COUNTY DAIRY TESTING ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Oxford County Dairymen Testing Association was held at the home of C. E. Richardson at Canton on September 2nd. Owing to the field day of the grange held at East Sumner the attendance was small, but nevertheless the meeting was very interesting. Free Banney called the meeting to order and Geo. Adams read the minutes of the last meeting. A general discussion of the work of the association followed until the dinner hour.

Dinner was served in the house. In the afternoon Dr. F. L. Russell of the University of Maine gave a very interesting lecture on the "Under of the Cow." He took up the diseases affecting the udder and those affecting the whole animal and the whole system of the cow. He offered many simple and effective remedies for the various troubles which are occasionally coming up in the herd.

A Lesson in Alpine Climbing. Mrs. O. G. George, dear, I feel so glad. Then held tight to my life's line.

## HOLDEN HALL TO BE DEDICATED

On Thursday Afternoon, Sept. 16.

Grand Reception in Odeon Hall in the Evening.

The new dormitory, Holden Hall, in Bethel will be dedicated on Thursday afternoon, September 16, and all who are interested in the school in any way are cordially invited to be present and participate in the exercises. The dormitory will be open at 1 o'clock in the afternoon for inspection.

At three o'clock the citizens of Bethel and surrounding towns are asked, without further invitation, to be present at the dedication of the dormitory, which will occur at Odeon Hall, and to a public reception at eight p. m., to meet the Hon. L. E. and Mrs. Holder and Gov. and Mrs. Fernald.

The afternoon program will be as follows: Scripture, Rev. J. H. Little; Prayer, Rev. W. C. Curtis; Music.

Address of Welcome, Prin. F. E. Hanson; Address of Acceptance, Hon. L. E. Holder; Hon. A. E. Herrick, president of the Board of Trustees; Music.

Informal speechmaking by Gov. Fernald and other distinguished guests; Music.

Benediction, Rev. C. L. Banghart.

## THE NEW DORMITORY.

Thursday, Sept. 16th, promises to be a day quite unique in the history of the old academic town of Bethel. For the first time since Gould's Academy opened its doors, so many years ago, there will be the supplement to the school life that every well-appointed educational institution needs, namely, a permanent home for young students obliged to leave the shelter of home for broader educational advantages.

How many fathers and mothers have sent their young sons and daughters away from the care of home, whose hearts would have been lightened if half the burden could they have seen them installed in such an attractive, hygienic, protected life as this dormitory.

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## GEO. S. HOLMAN WINS THE CHALLENGE CUP.

At the tennis court in Rumford the first of the annual contests for the Whiting challenge cup were played Labor Day. The series of games took the greater part of the day, and the players camped on the grounds, so to speak, and had refreshments served there.

Geo. S. Holman of Dixfield was the winner. His score was 6-2, 6-0, 6-3. His contestant was Alfred Mixer of the local. Mr. Holman's name will be engraved on the cup, and when he shall have won three games he will be the owner of the trophy. There were some fine plays during the day. One of the notable sets played was between Mr. and Mrs. Whiting, who came from Boston to take part in the game.

It is the purpose to develop some of the best players, and if they show style enough they will be sent to the annual meet of the U. S. Lawn Tennis Association that occurs at Newport, R. I., every year. The national championship is then played for. It is expected that players from Boston and New York will be here next year to contend with Mr. Holman for the cup. There would have been outside players this season if the terms had not been so late in an announcement.

## NOTICE.

I have leased the blacksmith shop owned by J. C. Billings, Bethel, Me., and shall be prepared to do horse shoeing and jobbing in first class shape, commencing the second week in Sept. Give the new blacksmith a trial. H. B. EDGEMLEY, Bethel, Aug. 26th, 1909.

## O. A. F. CLUB MADE GOOD ON LABOR DAY.

Good Sports Witnessed by a Large Crowd.

Foot Races, Tugs of War and Other Good Sports.

Labor Day was celebrated in Rumford by the Oxford Association Foot Ball Club; and although it was not a very loudly heralded affair, it was a creditable one, and well managed and all the sports were carried out according to schedule. A fair-sized crowd witnessed the games, and all were well pleased with the entertainment. The Mexico band furnished music. The association made good an expense, and have a little nest egg for the association. This is the organization's fourth year, and it is bidding fair to become the athletic society of the two towns. Mr. G. E. Young is the manager. Mr. Young is a sprinter of international reputation, and has run races in England and in various towns at cities in Maine. He never has lost a race excepting one that he started under a handicap of six yards. He says he shall not appear on the course again.

The following is the program, giving the winners in the contests. There was no time-keeping, as the course was not smooth enough to make records on.

100 Yard Dash (Closed)—1st, G. E. Young; 2nd, A. Gilmour.

Running Long Jump—1st, E. Dargis; 2nd, D. Sargent.

220 Yard Dash (Closed)—1st, G. E. Young; 2nd, A. Gilmour.

220 Yard Dash (Open)—1st, E. Dargis; 2nd, John Zuckell.

Running High Jump—1st, J. Gillis; 2nd, Thos. Turnbull.

100 Yard Dash (Open)—1st, G. E. Young; 2nd, A. Gilmour.

440 Yard Dash (Closed)—1st, G. E. Young; 2nd, A. Gilmour.

330 Yard Dash—1st, J. Zuckell; 2nd, Thos. Turnbull.

1 Mile Run—1st, G. E. Young; 2nd, P. Portras.

3 Mile Run—1st, Tom. Hickman; 2nd, P. Portras.

Three Legged Race—1st, A. Adams and J. Simpson.

In the tug of war the Oxford five defeated the International.

The base ball game followed, Oxford eventually winning out by the score of 9 to 5 against the International.

The programme was successfully concluded by the Oxford Football Club winning the game from North Jay by 3 goals to one.

There were prizes, merchandise given by the merchants making up most of them. They were on exhibition last week in Locke's store.

## A MONSTER CUKE.

Mr. Henry Kelly of Granite street, Biddeford, is responsible for the story that a man on the Dixfield road in Mexico raised a cucumber that measured three feet and three inches and a half in length. Mr. Kelly assures us that there have been longer ones than that raised. He calls this a medium sized one. It is about 2 1/2 inches in diameter at its largest part. The variety is known as the snake. They grow in a half circle shape, resembling a half moon. Mr. Kelly says also that notwithstanding their size, the fruit or vegetable (whatever you may please to call it) is as fine flavor and tender as an ordinary cucumber. We have not seen this monster cucumber, and have no knowledge of the variety, and print this story solely on the authority of Mr. Kelly, and while we know him to be a reliable man, we have known reliable men to be deceived, and to play practical jokes. Luther Barbank of California has set the fashion of producing strange fruits and vegetables, and there seems to be a tendency to fall into the trap, and—well, we will say no more than this: It has been recently claimed that Barbank has been bringing in strange plants from all parts of the world, and palming them off on the people as something he had developed in his own garden. We do not credit this, for Mr. Barbank has been long under the public eye, and the deception claimed seems too open to have escaped detection for so many years.

## HORSE THIEF CAUGHT IN MASON

By Officers H. A. Packard and C. L. Davis.

One Hundred Dollars Reward for Capture Recovered.

Officer H. A. Packard of Bethel has been on the track of a desperate character for the past week and last Sunday morning scooped him, with the assistance of Constable C. L. Davis.

The victim was George C. Eldridge, who was wanted in Cambridge, Mass., for stealing two pairs of horses from F. Ham & Co. Ham at once offered a reward of \$100 for the arrest of the thief and recovery of the property.

Geo. B. Horton, detective for the B. & M. Railroad, learned, through the interception of a letter, that Eldridge was at Bethel. He came here and placed the matter in the hands of H. A. Packard, who began search for the villain. It was learned Friday that he was making headquarters with relatives in Mason and hiding in the adjacent woods. Mr. Packard and Mr. Davis quietly searched the woods and found a camp, which he apparently occupied, but got no sight of him.

A neighbor saw him Saturday night at the home of the relative, and Sunday morning Officers Packard and Davis walked in upon him. He was taken entirely by surprise and was shackled before he scarcely knew what was up.

He was brought to Bethel, placed in the lock-up, and Mr. Ham and Detective Horton notified. They came Monday and took him to Massachusetts to answer to the charge of stealing the horses. He admitted his guilt, and through him, and other sources, clue to the whereabouts of the horses has been obtained.

The man is a desperate fellow, and it rests to the credit of Officers Packard and Davis that he is in custody.

## MEETINGS OF BREEDERS' ASSOCIATIONS.

A meeting of the Sebasticook Valley Holstein Breeders' Association was held at the farm of C. H. Brown, Corns, Aug. 31, 1909. The forenoon session was devoted to business and a discussion by the members on "How to start a Pure Bred Herd." The discussion was opened by E. A. Atkins. He was followed by a large number of the members present. State Dairy Inspector Merrill was called on for an outline of the work of the breeders' associations. Dinner was served under the trees on the lawn.

This annual meeting of the association will be held the second Tuesday in January, 1910, at Twilight Grange Hall, Corinna.

In the afternoon Gen. C. W. Woods, president of the American Holstein Breeders' Association gave an address on Holstein-Friesian Cattle, which was very interesting and the points were well illustrated by many stories. State Dairy Inspector Merrill was again called on for an outline of the work of the department. Rev. Chas. Carleton gave a short talk on "The Opportunities for the Farmer in Systematic Work."

The association will make as large an exhibit as possible of the cattle belonging to the members, at the West Penobscot agricultural fair. C. E. Tripp of Ripley is chairman of the committee on arrangements. A meeting of the Oxford County Breeders' Association was held at the farm of Benjamin Tucker on Sept. 1st, 1909. The forenoon was devoted to business and a discussion of the best methods for starting a pure bred herd. The discussion was opened by L. E. McFarlane, followed by many of the members.

After a picnic dinner, eaten in the barn, Gen. C. W. Woods was introduced. He spoke on the Holstein-Friesian Cattle, their origin, history and future. State Dairy Inspector Merrill was called on for an outline of the work of the department. Prof. P. A. Campbell of the University of Maine gave an interesting report of the work of the animals of the different breeds in the University herd. In spite of the fact that the day was very rainy, there was a very satisfactory attendance.

## WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines 1 week, 25c. 3 weeks, 50c.

TO LET—Tenement of fourteen rooms on Canal street, well arranged for a boarding house. Newly papered and painted throughout. H. L. ELIOTT, Bank Block, Rumford, Me. 7-23 t f

FIB PILLOWS for sale. Inquire of Mrs. G. H. SEAVEY, Bethel, Me. 9-9 t f pd

FOUND—A lady's coat, in the town of Paris. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. W. E. DOBLE, West Paris, Me. 9-9 t f

FOR SALE—Persian Kittens—Pure white, and solid orange colors. Send stamp for particulars. GRAVE FERGUSON, Springvale, Me.

PINK AND GREEN TOURMALINE—Very fine and for sale very cheap. Inquire of HARRY DUDLEY, Buckfield, Me. 4-9 t f

FOR SALE—Two and three inch hemlock plank, also hemlock and spruce boards. Inquire of Z. W. BARTLETT, E. Bethel, Me. 5-27 t f

TO RENT—My blacksmith shop and fuel equipment. Complete set of tools, two good bays and everything in first class condition. Will rent for term of 7 yrs or by single year. Wood shop in connection which may be had if desired. Inquire of J. C. Billings, Bethel, Me. 6-27 t, f.

FOR SALE—Histories of Bethel, Rumford, Paris; also Bradbury Memorial, Clason Genealogy, Chapman Pamphlet. All published by the late Dr. Wm. B. Lapham. Address, Mrs. W. B. LAPHAM, Norway, Me. 6-10

TEN MEN WANTED to train for positions as drivers and repair men of automobiles. Full course 3 or 4 weeks. Write Portland Auto School, Portland, Me. 6-17 t f

WANTED—Several young women to work in our Post Card department. Permanent work. Good pay. Write at once to the Whitten & Donelson Post Card Co., West Bethel, Maine. 3-19 t f

FOR SALE—At Bargain Price, 30 room house, Canal St., Rumford. Four tenements. All lot. Poor health of owner causes for selling. Inquire of Mrs. Anne Siddalls, 37 Canal St. 3-19 t f pd

Dr. Daniels' Horse Renovator—for year horses—Makes blood—gives vim, strength and health.

FOR SALE—Am making extensive repairs on my house and have 16 good windows, 9x12, 12 lighted, which will be sold at a reasonable price. Also two doors in good condition. Mrs. EILEEN CHANDLER, Bethel, Me. 3-26 t f

DRY WOOD FOR SALE—100 cords of cord wood. Will deliver on wheels. For full particulars inquire of J. F. HARRINGTON, Bethel, Me. Tel. Can. 3-26

TO LET—Riverside farm or building for summer cottage. Very pleasant location, water in stable, house and lawn. Can be had with furnishings if applied for soon. Local and long distance telephone connections. C. G. DRYANT, Bethel, Me. 3-2

WANTED—A capable girl or woman to do housework in small family. Good wages and permanent position. Apply to FREELAND HOUSE, West Paris, Maine. 9-2 t f

LOST—A tale coat, between Trap Corner and Rumford Corner. Finder will be rewarded for returning or communicating with LYNN ROWE, West Paris, Me. 9-2 t f

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W. J. Wheeler is at Bethel once or twice a week to look after his business there.

**FATHER AT THE SUMMER COTTAGE.**

He has two weeks to rest, but he is not resting up to his eyes. "Now, now," says dad, "I'll tell things."

And things around and round a book.

Now day his wife's relations come, to entertain them was his job. And every day it was the same. Of friends he always had a mob.

He has the women and relations caught that they all catch a-buzzing. He has the women and relations caught that they all catch a-buzzing.

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## WEST BETHEL.

The Local Happenings as Told by Our Special Reporter.

Mrs. J. E. Pike was in Bethel Friday of last week.

Miss Dorothy Merrill is again working for Whitten & Dennison. Mr. and Mrs. Everett McKen of Bethel called on Mrs. Milton Holt Sunday.

Miss Jessie Howe has returned, after the summer at her home in Hanover.

Mrs. I. W. Mason is visiting her sister, Miss Flora Wheeler, at the home of W. A. Parwell.

Mr. Gribben of Portland spent Sunday with his family at the home of Mrs. Sarah Brown.

School opened Monday morning. Miss Maud Russell returns as teacher, which pleases both young and old of the village.

Mr. Jerry Lutton has been enjoying a vacation at his home in Connecticut. He returned to his work Monday evening.

Mrs. Alden Mason and two children of Rumford have been visiting at the home of A. F. Mason the past week.

William Francis and William Luan have finished their work with Whitten and Dennison and are both at present at the home of the former in Biddeford, Me.

Misses Stella Allen of Cumberland, Frances Reeve of Sanford, Viola Galloway of Lewiston, McCormick of Gardiner and Mr. Mont Shaw of Augusta are recent additions to the young people at the hotel.

The home and farm buildings of Mr. Dana Merrill were burned to the ground last Thursday, about 7 o'clock in the evening. All that was saved in the house was a small part of the furniture. All the horses were saved, but three cows, one pig and all the chickens were burned. Insurance was \$3,700, which does not cover the loss. The family are now living in the Peter Wheeler house.

**GRAFTON.**

A heavy frost in this section Tuesday morning, Aug. 31, destroyed many gardens just in their prime, although in some places near here the gardens were not touched.

The Berlin Mills Co. has a crew of 20 men and four horses under Mr. Delaney at Upper Cambridge, building a dam.

Irving Thompson has begun logging here and has a crew of 20 men, intending later to increase his crew to 50 men.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ackley and daughter, Marie, also Master Otis of Bowdoin visited in town on Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Appleton Blake of Dunsmuir, N. H., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Tyler on Thursday and Friday of last week.

Charles Davis has his much looked for auto mail car now on the route in place of horses. We have had it hardly long enough to say we are used to the change.

Fred Tyler was in Bethel on Wednesday of last week on business.

Work is being pushed on the farm-ers' telephone, which is being put through town, and many of the poles are set. It is hoped the work will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

There seems to be a better famine in this section and the demand is much greater than the supply.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ware and two children of Everett, Mass., returned to their home Aug. 23. Miss Ethel Ware returned with them.

Miss Stella Chase of Upton is working for Mrs. Otis W. Brooks.

School begins here Sept. 6 with Cora Briggs of Erol as teacher.

Fred Tibbitts and an invalid boy, Elmer Merrill, of Auburn, are stopping at O. W. Brooks' at this writing.

**MAGALLOWAY PLANTATION**

The schools in Magalloway Plantation began August 23 with Mr. Frank Philbrook of Greene, Me., as Principal and Miss Alora Flint as assistant teacher. Miss Isabel Linnell and Miss Zella Wilkins are taking a high school course.

The Rev. Mr. Hagge preached his last sermon of this season last Sunday.

Geo. Bennett has gone to Farmington Lake to guide in the Chauncy party.

Mrs. Sarah Fickett has been having quite a serious time with nose bleed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Davis and Mrs. Cora Briggs were in town Monday.

The base ball game at Erol between the Erols and Magalloways resulted in a victory for the Magalloways of 30 to 6.

M. C. Linnell went to Erol to attend the ball game last Saturday.

E. S. Bennett started for Norway in his auto, Sunday.

Charles C. Linnell has returned home from Colchester, N. H., where he has been employed in a store.

Harold Powers of Bethel was in town two days last week.



## Where the Finest Flour is Made

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## HIGH ROYAL TITLES

LITTLE MODESTY SHOWN BY OCCUPIERS OF THRONES.

One Sovereign of Insignificant Empire Rejoiced in the Appellation "Great Thiel"—Many Others Equally Ludicrous.

If, as reported, the czar of Russia intends to abandon his title, "autocrat of all the Russias," he will sacrifice the most exalted of his many dignities, a mere recital of which would fill half a column and which are certainly numerous enough to equip a score of reasonable potentates.

But even the czar's proud array of titles cuts a poor figure beside that of the sultan of Turkey, who in a Turkish newspaper was described not long ago in these extravagant terms:

"The finest pearl of the age and the esteemed center of the universe, at whose portals stand the camels of justice and mercy, and to whom the eyes of the kings and people in the west have been drawn, the rulers there finding an example of political process and the classes a model of mercy and kindness; our lord and master the sultan of two shores and the high king of the two seas, the crown of ages and the pride of all countries, the greatest of all khalfas, the shadow of God on earth, the successor of the apostle of the lord of the universe, the victorious conqueror (Al-Ghazi) Sultan Abdul-Hamid Khan."

There have been several sovereigns who have actually claimed to be divine; among them the kings of Ava and of Ceylon, each of whom was called "God."

His majesty of Ava in his letters to his fellow sovereigns spoke of himself as "King of kings, whom all others must obey, as he is the cause of preservation of all animals, the regulator of the seasons, the absolute master of the ebb and flow of the sea, brother to the sun and king of the four-and-twenty umbrellas."

The Kandyan monarch, equally lacking in humility, described himself as "the protector of religion, whose fame is infinite and of surpassing excellence, exceeding the moon, the unexpanded jessamine buds, and the stars, whose feet are as fragrant to the noses of other kings as flowers to bees, most noble patron and God by custom."

The shah of Persia has an amazing array of titles, ranging from shah-shah (king of kings) to such poetical attributes as "the rose of delight," "the branch of honor" and "the mirror of virtue," while his majesty of Arracan used to be proclaimed as "emperor of Arracan, possessor of the white elephant and the two earrings, and in virtue of this possession legitimate heir of Pagan and Hama; lord of the 12 provinces of Bengal and of the 12 kings who place their heads under his feet."

The king of Achem boasted almost as many high dignities as there are days in a year; among them "the sovereign of the universe, whose body is luminous as the sun; whom God created to be as accomplished as the moon at her plenitude; whose eye glitters like the northern star; a king as spiritual as a ball is round, when he rises, shadows all his people, and from under whose feet a sweet odor is wafted."

But perhaps the most remarkable title any monarch was ever proud to own was one borne by the king of Mesopotamia, whose scribes were sung by his court poets and musicians as "lord of the sun and moon, great magician and great thief."

Hard on the Receiver.

"No," drawled the mayor of the far-western settlement, "the boys had some money tied up in that their bankrupt telephone company and they just didn't like the way the receiver was handling the business."

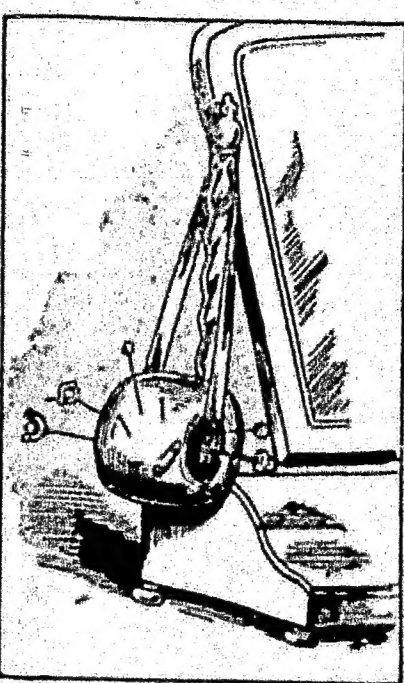
"Didn't eat?" commented the tourist, "Well, what did they do about it?"

"Oh, they just hung up the receiver."

## MADE IN SHAPE OF A MUFF.

Quaint Design for Pin Cushion Acceptable as Present or for Sale at Bazaars.

Pin cushions in quaint design are always popular at bazaars, and new ideas for the making of them are ever welcome. We give a sketch of a pretty little pin cushion which can be hung by a ribbon from the post of a looking glass and designed to take both ordinary pins and long hat pins



also. It is carried out in the shape of a miniature muff, and can be made out of any odd remnants of silk or brocade, and the seam arranged so that it rests against the looking glass and is not visible. In the center, inside the opening, a small cushion is sewn for the reception of the long hat pins. The muff in our sketch is shown in quite a plain form, but might be made very decorative and pretty with a floral design and initials worked on the front, and a rosette of ribbon at the top of the loop.

**ONE OF THE SUMMER'S FADS.**

Nun's Tucks Are to Be Restored to Favor, According to an Edict from Paris.

According to Paris, and from what one can judge from Paris-made dresses, nun's tucks are fast coming into fashion again as a trimming for the bottom of skirts. They are pretty and extremely inexpensive, for they do away with the need of embroidery, braiding or lace. It is said on excellent authority that simple little dresses of white and pale colored batistes and washable tulle trimmed almost exclusively with tucking will be one of the fads of the summer. They look attractive, certainly. Some of them have the waist and upper part of the skirt tucked in groups of four or five narrow tucks and with two or three deep ones above the hem. Most of them were made quite short, with the high waistline skirt, Dutch neck and long sleeves and were worn with pretty sashes of ribbon or mesalina. They are very inexpensive little frocks, but most satisfactory as sort of fillers-in between other even simpler or more pretentious dresses for warm nights and informal occasions.—Delineator.

**Up-to-Date Colifures.**

Most attractive are some of the colifures reproduced from old portraits, and especially feathered ones. These when adopted by girls who have a wealth of hair.

Many of the charming styles shown on old canvases are deftly copied by fashionable hairdressers, such heads presenting a loosely waved effect with clusters of soft puffs and ringlets.

Sometimes the back seems a mass of combed-out curls, bulging far from the head and caught underneath with a little bandeau of ribbon or flowers. Directly in front of the ornament the hair is very flat. In many of these styles there is a middle parting which is generally becoming to young faces. For girls who have reached the dignity of graduation and the first long dress these classic effects are much in evidence.

**The Popular Beards.**

The alken scarf to match the hat, parasol, or slippers and stockings will be quite a necessary accessory to the costume this summer.

The shops are showing most attractive ones in filmy chiffon and soft silks, with great clusters of flowers in pastel shades printed or hand-painted on.

One is of pink crepe de chine, shading from the palest to a deep rose with the ends embroidered with tiny crystal beads.

Those of ivory white chiffon, with a satin stripe and designs of Dresden roses, are particularly charming to wear with lingerie frocks on a summer evening.

**Bedize Chains Match Costumes.**

The last fad in the bodice chain, and it seems permissible to drap one's self for occasions with long ropes of imitation stones or jet. It is usually the custom to wear a chain to match the costume, although, of course, with white or black silk slippers may be worn. Cat crystals are a very favorite kind of chain, as are also the long oriental ones in gun metal, silver, and even gold.

**Embroidered Net.**

Many of the new summer frocks will be made of heavy net embroidered in cart wheels. Plain white ones will be used, singly or triple and the work need not be done by expert hands. It looks very much like rough darning.

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Women's and Children's Felt Shoes. Women's Felt Shoes and Julietts.

**REPAIRING PROMPTLY DONE.**

**HINTS FOR LIVESTOCK RAISING.**

When one has young pigs and breeding stock to care for he must take further than merely what food will fatten most.

Feeding without care is useless. Give the cow sunlight; it has its place in the economic production of milk just as well as good food.

A successful dairyman feeds his cows this excellent balanced ration: Clover hay and corn fodder, all the cows will eat up clean, for roughage; for grains, peas and oats, ground fine, and bran in equal parts by weight, and feed one pound of grain to three or four pounds of milk, with 16 pounds of sugar beets a day.

For generations English farmers have made extensive use of dwarf Essex rape as a stock food. This plant may be described as a rutabaga run to seed. The seed is sown like rutabaga turnips and cultivated without thinning. Now two or three pounds in drills, or four or five broadcast, and plant in early spring. The seed is not expensive and the crop is easy to raise.

Experiments prove that a heifer is easier to fatten than a steer.

If you haven't a hog pasture it will pay to fence off a corner of the clover meadow for them. The hogs will get more value for you out of the clover

than it would be worth in the form of hay, and save the harvesting of it.

If whole oats are scattered very thinly on a floor and the brood sow is allowed to feed on them she will get enough to keep thrifty, while not getting enough to grow fat. This also keeps her busy and contented.

**Experiences Dipping Sheep.**

I would not think of keeping a flock of sheep without dipping them. Numerous dips on the market have been used, yet we prefer the liquid non-poisonous dips, for they are more easily mixed with water than those in powdered form, says a writer in the Baltimore American. For dipping 100 ewes and their lambs we arranged a triangular apartment in the barn, as much as possible. One of the points of the enclosure is at a small door. On the outside we have a galvanized tank sunk in the ground, the top of which is on the level with the ground floor. As the sheep escape they come directly into the tank, in which they are kept nearly submerged. The fluid is diluted with 75 gallons soft water to one gallon of the dip. The sheep are kept in this for at least two minutes. They are then allowed to move up the incline, which contains a water tight door, so that the dripping sheep will run back into the tank.



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# VIRGINIA SECTION



Owing to the hilly and broken condition of the land near Rumford Falls as well as the high prices asked for land in close proximity to the Island, suburban villages have sprung up. Virginia comprising the territory above the Falls and taking in all of the Virgin farm, and land beyond, is one of the most conspicuous of the villages that surround Rumford. It is one of the best residential sections in the place and has had a rapid growth. One of the good features is the abundant spring water, and the system that connects the greater part of the residences with pure running water. The advertisements herewith presented show the business importance of the section. The great Dunton Lumber Mill and the Rumford Steam Laundry are the industries that furnish employment to many of the residents. The settlement is about one mile from the Island.

## DUNTON LUMBER CO.

Manufacturers of and Dealers in

**Spruce, Pine and Hemlock Lumber,**

Laths, Clapboards, Shingles and North Carolina Pine.

Lumber delivered in all parts of Rumford Falls and Mexico.

## DUNTON LUMBER CO.

Hollis C. Dunton, Treas. and Mgr.

### HOLDEN HALL.

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tery fully intends to provide. On Thursday afternoon at two o'clock this beautiful building will stand ready for the inspection of all interested visitors.

On the right, as one enters the really stately hall, is the family living room, where the young girls and lady-teachers will pass leisure hours and receive callers at certain times. The preceptress' room adjoins this family room, and a lady-teacher has the opposite parlor. The beautiful dining-room will be the meeting-place for both boys and girls, where at tables, seating ten, and under the presiding care of the teachers, with a master in charge, the young people will have the social life of well-bred young people.

The pretty chambers, neatly furnished, with lavatories and laundry accommodations, will command the approval of house-makers. The master's room is on the same floor as the young ladies' corridor. The boys' department, under the care of a master, is entirely separated from the other side of the building. The dining-room alone is used as a daily meeting-place for both classes of students. The boys' rooms being larger than those arranged for the girls, a living room became a necessity for the latter.

No expense has been spared by Mr. Holden to make this establishment as perfect as consistent with its practical needs. The problems of heating, plumbing, the questions of range, stove-rooms, dining-room conveniences, kitchen accessories have all been worked out as thoroughly as practical minds could apply their combined knowledge and experience. They feel the results will bear inspection.

It is Mr. Holden's expectation and the intention of the trustees that the dormitory shall add homeliness, protection and much happiness to the homeless young strangers who come among us.

The dormitory life will be expected to become one of the most valued privileges connected with the course of study at Osgood's Academy.

The friends of the dormitory are many. Almost, young and old, stand ready for any service, and are full of enthusiasm to help make Holden Hall the happiest place for students in the whole State of Maine.

Visit the dormitory Thursday afternoon, Sept. 10th, then go to Osgood Hall and hear Mr. Holden's address, and other brave words from gifted speakers and listen to the orchestral music in the evening come to the village reception and meet the generous donors and his lovely wife greet your father and his wife enjoy the address, and go home saying:

"We will all do our best for the best good of Bethel—through Holden Hall."

### LOCAL HISTORY.

**Rev. Chas. Frost, Bethel West Parish Congregational Church.**

**Incidental Memorandum—By Leonard B. Chapman. Number 21.**

#### THE MEETINGHOUSE REMOVAL.

Who it was that conceived and brought to light the proposition to remove or take down the West Parish Congregational meeting house and erect a new one upon the site then in use, or upon some other does not appear upon any written record page that I have seen, nor do I meet with anything relative to the matter of a traditional character. The necessity for the proposition was not pressing. True, the natural life of a wooden building, unpainted and otherwise uncared for, is about forty years. When the agitation for a change relative to the West Parish structure began the meeting house had been in existence its allotted time. Sunshine and shower had caused the yellow-colored paint to become unprotecting to the wear of the elements, and the color of the rooster perched high above all his immediate surroundings had become dim, but in other ways the building appeared to the very few who remember it good enough with a few repairs for unborn generations, but the will of the majority, after much discussion at divers times, appeared by actual count of raised hands to be against its continuance. Parson Frost was very much opposed to its destruction, but he was unable to save its life. The story of its departure and abatement met by the investigators and abettors is true of many others where unity in numbers is requisite to put in force individual opinions and desires. The constitution of views in this case shows the uncertainty of human propensities and materialization though seemingly assured by majorities then fade and finally disappear forever. All the way along from the highest tribunals of our Country down to town political party caucuses we see these things every day, so what is found relative to the votes and changes of opinions regarding the destruction of the West Parish meeting house rather pleasant and instructive than otherwise.

March 2, 1844, the first proposition to see if the parish will vote to repair the meeting house or build a new one was submitted for consideration, and in reply it was "voted to move the house to the 'four corners' and there repair it the present year"; and a committee was chosen consisting of Messrs. Jedediah Barbank, Robert A. Chapman, Nathan P. Tuttle, Tyler P. Town, Alpha Tuttle, Leander Grover, Beth B. Newhall and Plakany Barnham, "to see the several few owners and report."

The next year, voted as no report from the committee had been received, "to petition the State Legislature for authority to sell the house," and a committee consisting of Dr. John Grover, Robert A. Chapman and Timothy Chapman was chosen; and at the same time it was voted to choose a committee of seven (names not given) to select the best place for a new house. At an adjourned meeting held four weeks later it was voted to cause the bounds of the lot then occupied to be established and let fenced. Voted "to build a new house on the old lot or exchange the old lot." Voted "to build on the corner near the cherry tree if the lot can be obtained of Henry Stearns."

Voted "a committee on the north side of the river to confer with Mr. Stearns."

At an adjourned meeting a call was made for a report of the last named committee, but none was presented. Then Dr. John Grover came forward with a "plan," namely: "to raise a stock company," placing the shares at \$25 each and sell enough to amount to \$2,500. A committee of five was chosen "to circulate a paper."

The committee consisted of the following named persons: Leander Grover, Gilman Chapman, Dr. John Grover, Alpha Tuttle and Robert A. Chapman. Jan. 19, 1845. The committee reported that \$2,500 had been subscribed for stock. Voted "to build on parish lot—vote declared—fourteen in affirmative to eight in negative."

Voted "to reconsider the vote to build on the Dr. Grover plan."

Voted "a committee to build on new plan."

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If any thing is not finished as it ought to be or is injured we propose to make it good. Our aim is to give the patrons the best Laundry service possible.

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### My Blacksmith Shop

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It is there I do Shoeing and Wagon Repairing

I have been on this corner for many years. My business is constantly increasing.

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RUMFORD.

ADDENDA TO THE CANTON LABOR SWINDLE.

The managers of the Androscoggin Valley Fair Association found \$47.00 in the ticket office that Brecken had not been time to gather up, and they are holding that. Before the M. C. R. Co. would agree to run special trains a guarantee of \$150.00 was required of Brecken. That was put up, and now remains in the company's possession, but as they were made whole in the sale of tickets, the deposit will release, legally, to Brecken. It is learned that the Rumford Falls Road, through its leader, F. J. Hight, has placed an attachment upon the same, to make the hand good for its expenses. Brecken, probably having in mind the deposit, that he could never expect to recover, as he placed in check a journey to other parts of the world, tried to borrow \$19 from

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**Prospect Ave.**

Superintendent R. L. Laveley while other.

he was selling tickets. The excuse was that he needed change. Mr. Laveley let him have \$5.00 in tickets, but came back shortly before the fellow stopped, and got his money.

Since the fraud has been exposed there have developed several stories concerning Brecken. It is claimed by a Rumford man who was in Lewiston Sunday that he was told that Brecken was a fraud, and that some sort of a valid game would be pulled off. He was not credulous, and did not take any stock in the report. Let it go "in one ear and out of the

#### MORE ABOUT THE BRECKEN ATTAIN.

It is reported that the \$150.00 deposit was not put up in the name of Brecken, therefore is not attachable. It seems that there are fully as many ways to defeat justice as there are to establish it.

#### LOOKING FORWARD.

"Millionsaire August Belmont is to marry Actress Florence Robinson."

"I wonder how much money the court will allow Brecken."

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## NOTICE.

George B. McMennamin wishes to announce to his former patrons and the public generally that he has opened a barber shop in his old stand in McMennamin Block; next door to the Novelty Store, where he will be pleased to meet his friends and former patrons.

PUBLIC BATH ROOM CONNECTED.

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## BEFORE THE COOLNESS.



Hudson Henry—Aw, I was a fooler by what. I water smoke quarter cigars.

Thoughtless Thirsoy—Not was de matter—was de sports too stingy to throw away half ones?

WHY SHAY? If she the prettiest even done, I wonder will she, too, not up the bottom in the way our college students do?

Not the same. Min—Quess what a difference there is in a woman's actions before and after marriage.

Her—How do they differ. Min—Before her marriage she comes a man in come to her parties and after she marries him she expects him to stay away when she gives one.

## POLISH CITIZENSHIP

The following article on Polish citizenship has been sent to us for publication. There are but 20 Polish men and women in Oxford County, so far as we can learn, and they are all in Rumford. It is common to class all who come from Poland as Poles, and as we speak in this County that is correct; but, in reality, is wrong. The Lithuanians, who make up the greater part of the so-called Polish population, are distinct in character and language from the Polish people. As much so as are the French and Swiss different from each other. Ancient Lithuania was an independent country and was powerful enough to make a distinct impression upon spoken language in the sixteenth century and certain idioms of the Slavonic language are now known as Lithuanian, although the country has been a province for three hundred years or more.

Whether the true Polish people are superior to the Lithuanians may be doubted. The article that follows is an effort to set before the people of this County correct information concerning a people that are apt to be spoken of with slight regard. The record is somewhat surprising to those of us who have formed our opinions from casual and limited observation.

## OUR POLISH POPULATION.

One of the best informed immigration agents in the United States estimates the total Polish population in the United States and Canada as nearly 4,000,000. In the following States there are more than 100,000 Poles: Pennsylvania, 500,000; Illinois, 475,000; (in Chicago, 360,000); New York, 475,000; Wisconsin, 350,000; Michigan, 240,000; New Jersey, 120,000; Minnesota, 120,000; Connecticut, 120,000; Massachusetts, 240,000; Ohio, 200,000. Of other States, Indiana has 50,000 Poles; Missouri, 40,000; Maryland, 30,000; Nebraska, Texas and Rhode Island, 25,000 each; Delaware and Maine, 20,000 each; and West Virginia, Washington, California, New Hampshire, North Dakota and Kansas from 15,000 to 12,000.

## CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS.

Most of the Poles live in the industrial cities around the great lakes, but a considerable number of them are on the farms, and the exodus from the cities to the lands of Wisconsin, Minnesota and the far west is steadily on the increase. There are over 700 Polish churches in this country and as many Polish schools.

Of the numerous Polish societies and organizations, by far the most influential and interesting is the Polish Alliance of the U. S. of N. A. It is a political, patriotic and educational organization based on the principle of fraternal orders. America, being the classic land of political freedom, many Poles, after the fall of old Poland, chose it for their adopted country. Every one of the numerous Polish struggles for liberty gave to the United States its quota of political refugees.

To the most illustrious of them the world famous warriors, Tadeusz Kosciuszko and Casimir Pulaski, it was given to cross swords with the British in the revolutionary war. Again in the civil war many Poles fought for the Union and even reached high positions in the Federal Army. But the regular immigration of Poles to this country began shortly after the last great war of Poland against Russia in 1863-65. When the political oppression in the old country was joined by the economic persecution thousands upon thousands of strong, robust fillers of Poland's fertile soil came over the ocean to seek in America not only freedom from their oppressors, but, as well, a better opportunity for some useful and honest occupation.

## THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE.

In 1899 a group of political refugees of Polish nationality in Philadelphia conceived the idea of founding an organization which would unite the already numerous Polish societies throughout the country into one National body. So the Polish National Alliance was born. Now, after 23 years of patient work, this organization comprises about 1,000 societies, with a total membership of over 60,000. The Alliance is incorporated in

## Care in Preparing Food.

In recent years scientists have proved that the value of food is measured largely by its purity; the result is the most stringent pure food laws that have ever been known.

One food that has stood out prominently as a perfectly clean and pure food and which was as pure before the enactment of these laws as it could possibly be is Quaker Oats, concocted by the experts to be the ideal food for making strength of muscles and brain. The Quaker Oats Company is the only manufacturer of oatmeal that has satisfactorily solved the problem of removing the husks and black specks which are so annoying when other brands are eaten. If you are convenient to the store buy the regular size packages; if not near the store, buy the large size family pack-

## AFTER DOCTORS FAILED

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Cured Her.

Willimantic, Conn.—“For five years I suffered untold agony from female troubles, causing backache, irregularities, dizziness and nervous prostration. It was impossible for me to walk upstairs without stopping on the way. I tried three different doctors and each told me something different. I received no benefit from any of them, but seemed to suffer more. The last doctor said nothing would restore my health. I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to see what it would do, and I am restored to my natural health.”—Mrs. ERRA DONOVAN, Box 299, Willimantic, Conn.

The success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, is unparalleled. It may be used with perfect confidence by women who suffer from displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration.

For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been the standard remedy for female ills, and suffering women owe it to themselves to at least give this medicine a trial. Proof is abundant that it has cured thousands of others, and why should it not cure you?

Illinois, but has licenses to conduct business in almost every State of the Union. In Chicago the Alliance has its headquarters at 162-164 West Division street, where, besides the usual offices, it has a well equipped printing plant and a large library with a historic museum, where a lover of history can find many really interesting relics of Poland's old glory.

One of the principal aims of the Polish National Alliance is to help the Polish people in America to educate themselves and their progeny into good citizens of this country without forgetting what they owe to their mother country in her days of misfortune. To this purpose the Alliance publishes two newspapers, one daily and two weeklies, which together have a circulation of 100,000 copies. The name of all three newspapers is the same—Zgoda, which means harmony. Then there is a special Board of Education, which donates small libraries to Polish societies, publishes popular books about Poland and America, organizes lectures and scientific courses and gives scholarships to young men and women of Polish nationality who are studying in American universities.

## TO BUILD POLISH COLLEGE.

As a crowning act of its activity in this direction the Alliance contemplates the building of a college in this country. A special committee works for this aim and the funds are growing every month. In New York, Boston, Baltimore and San Francisco, the Alliance has immigration committees, whose duty is to care for poor Polish immigrants. There will be created a special immigration house for them in New York; the money is ready and the Alliance has bought an appropriate building. Two other committees—one of commerce and labor and the other of agriculture and colonization—are working each in its line for the benefit of the Polish people. There is a department of charity, which distributes every month small sums of money among the most needy members of the organization.

The Polish National Alliance is non-partisan and non-discriminatory. It does not belong as a whole to any of the political parties in the country; its officers are explicitly forbidden to use their official positions to further the ends of any political party. What the Alliance teaches its members is good citizenship and loyalty to their country of their adoption. When the United States Congress appropriated \$50,000 to erect a monument in Washington to the Polish hero, Casimir Pulaski, who lost his life at Saratoga in the revolutionary war, the Polish National Alliance donated to the Government another monument, that of Gen. Kosciuszko, the other Polish warrior who fought for the independence of the United States. Both monuments will be unveiled in Washington, May 3, 1916.

A few figures about the Polish National Alliance: Organized, August, 1899; total membership, 61,741; amount of insurance, \$89,840.80; death claims paid since organization, \$1,136,329; total assets, \$711,513; emergency fund, \$497,019; disbursements for the expense of management, 1909, \$14,934; disbursements for educational and charitable purposes, 1909, \$42,868. THOMAS NIECHAJEWski, Secretary of Agents.

## USEFUL WORK BAG

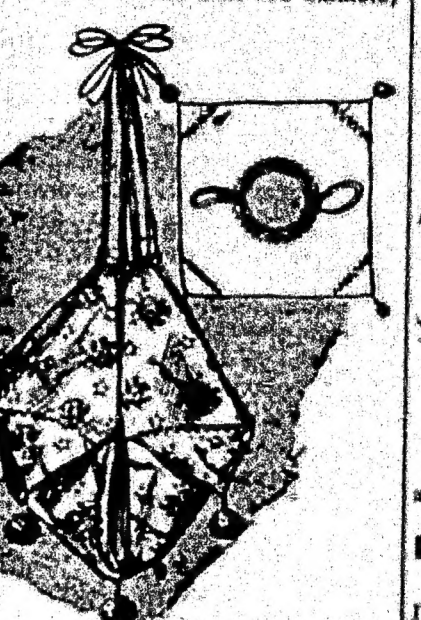
SIMPLE MODEL THAT HAS MERIT OF UTILITY.

Can Be Made in Many Sizes and Different Materials—Crotches and Linens Suitable for Its Manufacture.

It often happens that quite the simplest things are most useful, and it is so in the case of this bag, which is simplicity itself.

Our model is made in pretty small patterned crotonne, lined with easement cloth, and of a size to hold a moderately large piece of knitting or other work; but the same thing may be carried out in different materials and sizes to suit other purposes. For instance, as a theater bag, it might be made in silk, and about nine inches square; pale green, lined with white would be dainty, or a piece of the dress might be used. Again, in a large size, made in washing material, it would make a capital bag for soiled handkerchiefs, collars, etc., and also in rather a large size it would come in admirably for the family stocking mending bag.

For a useful work-bag like this one we illustrate, some colored washing material is best to use, and there are many pretty easement cloths, crotonnes and linens that are suitable;



cut two squares, measuring 17 inches in the material that is to be used for the outside, and two in the lining; tack the lining and material of each square together, then put the two together, the outside pieces facing in, stitch by machine half an inch from the edge; neatly overcast the seam. Turn the right side out. Now, in the side that lies uppermost, cut out a circular piece from the center, measuring 5 1/2 inches across; see the small diagram. Cut out about a third of an inch from the edge of lining, then turn the edge of the outside over and hem it neatly down on the inside; work a row of feather-stitch round the outside close to the opening, and sew small white bone rings at distances of 1 1/2 inches to the edge all round.

Work a row of feather-stitch through both back and front diagonally across each corner, about 2 1/2 inches from the point, and sew a silk pom-pom on each point, and one in center of under square. Run fine silk cord through the rings twist round to draw the bag up, press with a hot iron on each side, and the very pretty bag is complete.

To Shorten a Long Hallway. A hall of unusual size can be shortened by making a division near the entrance with portieres.

Colored art screens are splendid for this purpose, and are obtainable in different colors, all striped, with a deep tan or cream background.

They should be simply hemmed and run on curtain rods to hang straight from the poles.

A very good striped effect is a double curtain of soft green white tan stripes for a border effect.

This could be placed in a hall with green paper, green rug and willow furniture for summer use.

With a few palms or ferns in jardinières, the large hall, often so barren looking, could be made very pleasant looking and inviting.

## Black Chiffon Over Bath.

A strikingly beautiful gown observed recently was of black chiffon mounted over a white satin sheath. The chiffon was handsomely embroidered in silver. Four narrow bands of silver trimming ran the entire length of the sides and pointed off in tunic effect back and front. The hem, trail and edge of the simulated tunic were embroidered in great round motifs of effective design in silver threads and sequins. The little cap sleeves were silver embroidered and there were small white tulle elbow puffs.

A cluster of red flowers on the low-necked corsage and a large black hat of lovely contour and trimmed with tall, softly drooping black ostrich plumes completed the picture.

## The Problem of Skirts.

Some of the skirts are shirred upon the skirtband.

With these are waists that come to the natural waistline, and even point below it.

On the other hand, gowns equally smart are being turned out with the straightest of straight lines, from bust to knee.

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### ROCK ME TO SLEEP.

Rock me, rock me, rock me to sleep,  
Rock me, rock me, rock me to sleep,  
Make me a child again, just for tonight,  
Mother, come back from the wilderness,  
Take me again to your heart as of yore,  
Kiss from my forehead the frown of care  
Through the law of verities and of my hair  
Over my shoulders your loving arms keep—  
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep.

Rock me, rock me, rock me to sleep,  
Rock me, rock me, rock me to sleep,  
I am weary of toil, I am weary of tears,  
Toss without recompense, there all do vain,  
Take them, and give me my childhood again,  
I have grown weary of that and of day,  
Weary of fighting my soul—wondering why,  
Weary of working for others to reap—  
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep.

Tired of the battle, the time, the strain,  
Mother, to mother my heart calls for you,  
May a moment the grass be a green green  
Blossom and faded out from between  
The withering petals and quivering pain,  
Long I thought for your presence again,  
Come from the things so long and so deep—  
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep.

Over my heart in the days that are gone,  
No love the mother has ever had shown,  
No other womanly smile and embrace,  
Faded, withered and patient like years,  
Come from the things so long and so deep—  
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep.

Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep,  
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep,  
Come from your breast, just lighted with  
Gladness, just lighted with gladness.

Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep,  
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep,  
Let in fall from my forehead tonight,  
Shedding my eyes from the fading light,  
For old with the sunken shadows once  
More, happy, and shining the sweet vision of you,  
Rock me to sleep, mother, rock me to sleep.

Rock me to sleep, mother, the years have been  
Long, since that I was rocked by your lullaby song,  
Sing them again to my soul and I shall seem  
Womanhood's youth have been only a dream,  
Clasp to your arms in a loving embrace,  
With your soft light, rock me just as of yore.

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### THE SILVER LINING.

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### HOW LITTLE IT COSTS.

How little it costs, if we give it a thought,  
To make happy some heart each day,  
Just one kind word or a tender smile,  
As we go on our daily way,  
For a touch of love will suffice to cheer  
The heart that is a neighbor's care,  
And the power of a hand is mighty,  
A comfort—over all.

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## SUITS FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

Practical Clothing That Will Please the Small Autocrat of the Household.

Suit for Boy of Four to Six Years.  
—Here is a practical little suit for making up in serge or light weight tweed. The knickers are gathered into the knee by elastic run in a hem. The little tunic has the box-plait at each side front and back stitched down to waist; the collar and waistbands



Suit for Boy of Coat for Girl of Four to Six Years. Three or Four Years.

are faced with silk or velvet, or with cloth of a different color; a leather belt is worn below the waist. Man-of-war hat in straw. Material required for the suit: One and one-half yard 46 inches wide. Coat for Girl of Three to Four Years. —Quite a simple little coat this, that may be made in cloth or serge. It is a loose, jacket shape, fastened by one button in front.

The edge is stitched twice in front, and once at top of hem. The collar and cuffs are faced with checked silk. Light straw hat, trimmed with roses and ribbon. Material required: One and three-quarters yard 46 inches wide.

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White Swiss, Lace and Ribbon Used by the Most Fashionable Makers of Costumes.

Even the most fashionable dress-makers lend their talents to the making of most attractive negligees of white Swiss, lace and ribbon. This wash fabric has come into more favor for the kind of garment one wears in one's own room or for breakfast and luncheon with the family alone. The Swiss is fine and has a small dot, and the negligee is usually made in two pieces, put together on one belt, which is covered by a broad sash of colored tulle.

This is often high-waisted at back and is finished at the left with a large rosette and two long ends. The back is open, in V-shape, and finished with deep lace ruffles and a bow of satin at the back. The light elbow sleeves are finished with deep lace ruffles and a bow of satin at the back.

Such negligees are cooler and fresher than those of silk or other materials that do not wash.

Pattern Dress in White and Blue. Among the gowns in preparation for a June bride is one of fustian silk with a white ground set with stripes formed of tiny blue dots, while larger blue dots, as large as a five-cent piece, form a deep border. Not in countless fine shirtings this border shapes a deep skirt yoke to which the skirt is gathered with considerable fullness. Two deep tucks weigh the hem. A band of white English embroidery, three inches wide separates and joins skirt and the soft, low-cut bodice, skirting to a narrow round yoke of the embroidery. Gathered full into the armholes the three-quarter long sleeve is drawn with a little less fullness into a loose straight cuff of embroidery. There is a "baby" under sleeve of white muscadine de sole—Paris Letter to Vogue.

Bill the Picture Hat. The classical large hat that never goes out of fashion will be seen this summer for large functions and ceremonial occasions. It is trimmed this season with a bouquet of ostrich tips, set far back to the left side and at the back.

Instead of the tips, the long "snake nose" is sometimes used, but the tips are the newest and smartest. More advice goes to the placing of these feathers than might be imagined. The balance of the silhouette depends greatly on the trimming of the hat, and it is her understanding of this principle that makes the Parisian milliner so successful.

To Keep Fine On. A charming gift for the new baby, and one that is seldom given, is a cover to slip over the baby carriage, or crib, while the infant sleeps. This should be made of wash net, of a fine mesh, bound all around with thick white satin ribbon. Use the full width of the double net and cut the corner either square or oblong, as it adapts itself to the size of the crib or couch.

Yarned Summer Tunic. A young girl's summer tunic in white dotted muslin is made over a bodice of blue, and trimmed with four contrasting bands of blue-colored liberty silk ribbon, each band ending at one side with a loop of ribbon and a wreath of tiny white muslin roses. This tunic is definitely colored on white muslin in a favorite, becoming as suitable for young girl—Vogue.

## WIT AND WISDOM.

### FROUD.

"What's Griggaby all awiled up about?"  
"Don't you know? He's going to have charge of the store while his boss is away on the board of commerce excursion."

Night On Bald Mountain.  
On a lonely night Alex, Benton of Port Edward, N. Y., climbed Bald Mountain to the home of a neighbor tortured by asthma, bent on curing him with Dr. King's New Discovery, that had cured himself of asthma. This wonderful medicine soon relieved and quickly cured his neighbor. Later it cured his son's wife of a severe lung trouble. Millions believe in the great-cure Throat and Lung cure on Earth. Coughs, Colds, Croup, Hemorrhages and Sore Throats are surely cured by it. Best for Hay Fever, Grip and Whooping Cough. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Chas. Fernald, Nathan Reynolds of Canton, C. A. Gardner, H. J. Reynolds.

### HIS FATAL OVERSIGHT.

He proposed to her by mail, and by letter she replied he read her brief refusal, then committed suicide. Alas he'd be alive today, and she a happy bride, had he but read the postscript penned on the other side.

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### NATURALLY.

Medical Prof.—What is the result young gentlemen, when a patient's temperature goes down as far as it can?  
Student—Why—at he gets cold feet.

### A HURRY UP CALL.

Quick! Mr. Druggist—Quick!—A box of Backlen's Arnica Salve—Here's a quarter—For the love of Moses, hurry! Italy's burned himself, terribly—Johnnie cut his foot with the axe—Mamie's scalded—Pa can't walk from place—Billie has boils—and my corns ache. She got it and soon cured all the family. Its the greatest healer on earth. Sold by Chas. Fernald, Nathan Reynolds of Canton, C. A. Gardner, H. J. Reynolds.

### WHAT HE SAID.

"Boodford never has much to say."  
"Why, I thought he talked a great deal!"  
"I said he never has much to say."

### Go With A Rush.

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### A Hazardous Occupation.

"What is your occupation?" inquired the agent for an accident insurance company.  
"I open the doors of the dining room at a summer resort hotel," answered the man.  
"Hurry," replied the agent, "but we shall have to reject your application. Your occupation is too hazardous for us to take such a risk."

### Mean Trick.

"George is a mean thing."  
"Is that so?"  
"Yes, would you believe it. He proposed to me last night and then spoiled all the fun of my summer vacation. He might at least have waited till I got back."

### Vivid Imagination.

His (her) answered—And while I am staying here in town will you please think of me, darling?  
Her (his) for the summer—Yes, George, dear. Every time I take a midnight drive or stroll along the beach with another man I shall imagine it is you. I am sure no girl could do more than that.

### Hard to Keep Them There.

"I see that they have established a home in Maine for habitual drunkards."  
"That creature will fall. If it were possible to keep them at home, they wouldn't be habitual drunkards."

### What?

"That life's a gamble, Dr. I'm ready to bet I'd enjoy living in Iowa."  
"Who struck the cards on me."

### How They Love One Another.

He—I got an awful fright when I saw married.  
She—Yes, you're right, she's so lovely.

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## DIXFIELD

The Happenings as gathered by Reporter

Alonzo Burnham, wife, Lettie, who have been at Manchester, N. H., for a few days.

Miss Georgia Philcox was a guest of her aunt, Bartlett, a few days in Dixfield, a few days in Dixfield, a few days in Dixfield.

The Universalist Church held their first meeting in the Masonic Hall, Wednesday afternoon, to discuss the coming year.

F. H. McLean of Carleton Place, N. B., was a guest of the Universalist Church, Monday evening, to discuss the coming year.

The old pool mill site after being shut down for a number of years, is now being used for a State Fair at Lewiston.

Mrs. Sarah E. Putnam, formerly of Dixfield, and E. Howard, with his daughter, from Ashland, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Saturday afternoon.

Albert Smith, who has been at the hospital, Lewiston, came home last week. Norma Weld has finished her school.

Anna Whitman and T. H. H. N. S. came last week to the corn shop.

Stella and Beulah B. Derbyshire, Mass., and Jos. and wife from Hanover, guests at the home of Mrs. Susan Bartlett, one week.

Fred Moulton, who has been at the hospital, Lewiston, came home last week. Mrs. Will W. turned in his home at Newbury.

Rev. W. Paul Corliss of his pastorate at F. H. and at West Park, N. B., the hour of service here is with Sunday School following at 10 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, from 10 o'clock to 11 o'clock, and was of much interest.

The services at both churches Sunday. Rev. W. Corliss, a very helpful pastor, was the guest of the Universalist Church, Sunday afternoon, to discuss the coming year.

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## DIXFIELD ITEMS.

The Happenings of the Week  
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Alexis Barnham, wife and daughter, Little, who have been visiting Mrs. Hattie Kilgore, returned to their home at Manchester, Me., last Thursday.

Miss Georgia Philson of Auburn was a guest of her aunt, Miss Susan Bartlett, a few days last week.

E. T. Merrill and wife went to Lewiston Wednesday.

Geo. Hubble has gone to Northfield, Mass., to attend the Mt. Hermon school for boys.

The Universalist Church Aid Society held their first meeting at their rooms in the Masonic Hall last Thursday afternoon to discuss business for the coming year.

F. H. McLean of Carthage was in town Thursday.

A. H. Kenerson of Portland came upon the excursion Sunday to see his mother, Mrs. E. B. Kenerson, returning Monday with his wife and children, who have been visiting there for a week.

The old spool mill started Monday, after being shut down for two weeks. Quite a number from here attended State Fair at Lewiston Tuesday.

Mrs. Sarah E. Putnam of Auburn, formerly of Dixfield, and brother, S. E. Howard, with his daughter, Mrs. Greenwood, from Ashland, Mass., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Small Saturday afternoon.

Albert Smith, who has been to the C. M. G. Hospital, Lewiston, for treatment, came home last week.

Norma Weld has finished work for Mrs. Walter Eastman.

Ansel Whitman and T. B. Corbin of Hallowell, N. S., came last week to work in the corn shop.

Stella and Beulah Bartlett from Rochester, Mass., and Joshua Bartlett and wife from Hanover, Me., were guests at the home of their cousin, Miss Susan Bartlett, one day last week.

Fred Moulton, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Will W. Waite, returned to his home at North Jay Saturday.

Rev. W. Paul Curtis of Auburn began his pastorate at P. B. churches here and at West Peru last Sunday. The hour of service here is 2:45 p. m., with Sunday School following. The subject of discourse Sunday afternoon was from Exodus, 17th chapter, 12th verse, and was of much interest to the hearers.

The services at both churches were much Sunday. Rev. W. E. Osakin, pastor of the Universalist Church, gave a most, a very helpful and interesting discourse. The subject was from the words found in the 24th Psalm, 4th verse. The hour of this service is 10:45 a. m., with Sunday School immediately following. A special meeting of the church members was held at the home of J. P. Johnson Monday evening, for the transaction of business. The Bible Study will be held through September at the home of the pastor, Rev. W. E. Osakin, on High street, on Friday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

The P. B. Sunday School held a picnic Saturday afternoon in the pine grove on York Hill. There were a goodly number in attendance and a pleasant time was enjoyed by the little folks, as well as the older ones.

Mrs. N. S. Stewart was in Lewiston Sunday.

Annie Clark of Livermore Falls is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fredericks.

Mrs. E. T. Merrill visited her mother, Mrs. Eugene Holman, at East Dixfield, Friday.

D. A. Gates, John Harlow, Geo. Bailey and Geo. Thompson went to Portland Wednesday, returning the same day. They made the trip in Mr. Gates' auto.

Several from here attended the 2nd day exercises of Rockmeek Church at West Peru Friday p. m. State Lecturer Thompson was present and interested his hearers with one of his glowing talks on farming, cultivation, fertilization, etc. The Dixfield Band was in attendance and rendered many beautiful selections.

Robert Newman and two sons from Yarmouth, who have been visiting relatives in this vicinity the past few weeks, were guests at the home of his mother, Willie W. Waite, last week.

Geo. Stewart and Billie Beattie returned Thursday from Lake Umbagog, where they have been camping for a few weeks.

Mr. O. C. Frost is visiting his parents at Rockfield.

Mr. W. W. Goodwin of Biddeford visited his sister, Mrs. Ada Marsh, Sunday.

Geo. Thompson and wife, who have been visiting friends in Millisocket, returned home last week.

Mr. Viola Chase was in Portland a few days last week.

Abel Holt, wife and son, Floyd, who have been visiting a few weeks at

## WEST PARIS.

The Weekly Happenings as  
Gleaned by Our Special  
Staff Reporter.

Many of our people are making plans to attend the Oxford Co. Fair next week.

Mrs. E. S. Farnum is in Boston this week attending the millinery openings and purchasing the season's goods.

Mr. Edward H. Frye, monologist, gave an interesting and laughable entertainment here last week under the auspices of West Paris Grange. There was quite a good-sized audience present. The Grange also furnished a supper at the dance on Thursday evening. Good music was furnished by Stearns' Orchestra of Norway, and 40 couples were present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brown of Rumford have been making a few days' visit in town with Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Brown.

Auverne Lapham has moved into Ezekiel Farrar's rent.

Mrs. Frank P. McKenney, who is again at home, is somewhat improved, although still in feeble health.

Mrs. Mary Peckover and daughter, Helen, who have been visiting at A. J. Ricker's, returned home to Lawrence, Mass., last Monday.

The regular W. C. T. U. meeting last week was held with Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Ford at the Methodist parsonage. There was a good attendance and a very interesting meeting.

Miss Walker of Brooklyn and Mr. Peoy of New York City are guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler.

Mrs. O. N. Thayer and child of North Haverhill, N. H., are making a visit with her sister, Mrs. Phila S. Davis.

A good travelling theatrical company is billed to be here at Dunham's Hall the last of next week for three evenings.

## PERU.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Stillman and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bent went to Tugus on the excursion, and enjoyed the trip very much.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Robinson attended the field meeting of Union Grange at Maple Wood Farm, the summer home of Rev. L. M. Robinson. Mr. Robinson did everything possible for the entertainment of his guests, serving hot coffee, ice cream and bananas, and his library was open to all. About two hundred strangers and their friends were present. After dinner the lecturer of Union Grange, Mrs. Jennie Bonney, presented the following program:

Our host, Rev. L. M. Robinson

George Grose, Master of Grange

Mrs. Henry Cobb

Remarks and Reading

W. H. Eastman

Song, Mr. Grose and Miss Dolly Grose

Remarks, Rev. F. M. Lamb

Address, State Secretary Libby

Bangs Selseton, Allie Harrows

Singing by all, followed by a selection from Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Lamb,

which closed the literary program.

Tennis, croquet, swings, base and football were all enjoyed by the young people throughout the day. Everyone pronounced it a most enjoyable occasion.

Walter Lucas was asked what kind of a time they were having there, to which he replied: "Oh! a splendid time. Everything is freely given and freely received." Many thanks are due Mr. Robinson for the pleasure given to so many people.

Mr. S. A. Getchell and family have gone to Bangsley for the winter. They regret their going very much. They will be greatly missed from the neighborhood.

Miss Emily Sawyer, who has been visiting her sister, has returned home.

Mr. D. W. Knight and daughter, Mrs. Everett Fletcher, visited Mrs. Charles Skilling and family last week.

The ball game Saturday between Hamner and Peru was won by Hamner; the game between Peru and Dixfield was won by Peru.

A large crowd went to Canton Labor Day.

Phillips returned home Friday.

Mrs. Ella Russell and daughter, Lila, who were calling on relatives in Canton last week.

Mrs. Emily Knight and Isaac Harlow, also Harry Marsh and wife, went to Paris Hill one day last week in Mr. Marsh's auto.

Mathew Nough.

Gusner—And now comes a professor who declares that fruit is just as healthy with the skin on as it is peeled.

Guy—It's I'd like to see some body start him on a diet of pineapples.

## MEXICO AND RIDLONVILLE.

## The Week's News as Gathered by our Special Correspondent

The Knights of King Arthur are planning for a ball game with the Andover team on Saturday afternoon of this week, on the Gibson Flats.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Swift spent the week end at Auburn and Lewiston.

Mrs. Edgar Clement and daughter, Berenice, spent Labor Day at Canton.

Mrs. Benj. Cram is entertaining her mother from Auburn for a few weeks.

Mrs. A. E. Davis and daughter, Mabel, returned from Auburn and Lewiston Saturday, where they have been visiting for a week, stopping there after leaving Harswell, where they spent two weeks with Mr. A. E. Davis.

Dr. and Mrs. O. L. Hanlon are visiting their aunt, Mrs. McIntire, of Lancaster, N. H., for this week.

T. M. Stevens spent Labor Day at the celebration in Canton.

S. O. Dorr returned from South Paris this week to spend a few days at home.

Wallace Gleason leaves this week for Orono, where he will commence his second year at the University of Maine. It is expected that Gay Westcott will go with him and enter for the first year course.

On Thursday afternoon of last week Mrs. S. O. Dorr entertained her Sunday school class of young ladies, about twelve years old, at her home on Granite street. Games were played and delicious refreshments were served. A delightful time was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Grant who have been at Mechanic Falls, living in their private car for the summer, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Proctor, baby and daughter, Miss Alice Bennett, spent the week end with relatives at Lisbon, returning Tuesday.

On Wednesday of this week, weather permitting, the Sunday school classes of the Congregational Church will hold a picnic at Laig's grove on Whitman street. A good time is planned, with a baked bean dinner for all.

Frank Keene is spending a few days this week with his father, N. L. Keene.

Mrs. Archer Packard and three children are visiting relatives in Readfield for a few days.

Mrs. Matthew McLeod, who has been suffering with the mumps, at the Lebanon Sanatorium, is much better, and the quarantine was lifted the last of the week.

Mrs. H. O. Davis and two children returned Saturday from South Range, where they have been for two weeks the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Packard.

Ira Hill of Roxbury avenue is visiting relatives in South Granville, P. E. I., for a few weeks.

Eva Brown, the daughter of Shirley Brown, returned from Watford Saturday, where she has been with relatives for the summer.

Willis Ladd and Dana Richards spent a few days last week at Sherbrooke, attending the fair.

Fred Kennedy returned Tuesday from Phillips, where he has been visiting relatives for a few days.

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fricker upon the birth of a nine-pound baby girl last Wednesday. Both are doing nicely, being cared for by Mr. Fricker's mother, Mrs. Hugh Halnes.

Mrs. T. M. Stevens is visiting relatives and friends in Boston for a few weeks.

Mrs. D. O. Gleason left Saturday for Phillips, where she will spend a few weeks.

Mrs. Miss Halger and two children left Saturday to visit in Bath.

Arthur Willis' new house on Day Hill is ready for the plastering, which will be done this week.

The Baptist Working Band will be entertained on Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Martha Arnold finished work for Mrs. George Gleason last week and is spending a few days with Miss Bowling before accepting a position with Mrs. C. A. Clifford.

Mr. H. P. Heit, who has been quite ill, is gaining slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown returned Monday night from a few days' stay in Lewiston.

## WEST BUCKFIELD.

Harry Harlow returned to Boston Saturday, Miss Beryl Harlow is at home from Bangsley. She is to teach in Turner this fall.

Miss Mary Parais of Auburn has been with her father, Merrill Parais, for a week. Uncle Merrill, who is 72 years old, has received the gold-headed cane presented by the Boston Post.

Hiram Gaultoff of Turner has been visiting in West Buckfield.

Mrs. Georgia Warren of North Buckfield has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harry Bark.

Ralph Bennett has returned to his school in Berlin, N. H.

Piers Willman is attending Farmington Normal School.

Ray Barnaby has moved into A. R. Hall's rent and works for him.

Mrs. O. C. Frost of Dixfield is visiting her friend, Miss Blanche Back.

Mrs. Harriette Harlow was at Will Fogg's Sunday.

One Smith is at John Smith's.

Lee Templeton of Phillips was at Harry Back's Friday night.

S. M. Rodney has bought a farm in

## WEST SUMMER.

Mrs. Hattie Curtis of Paris is visiting relatives here in Summer.

Miss Barrett of Mexico spent a few days with her brother, Mr. P. O. Barrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill of Virginia visited at Mrs. Merrill's parents' a few days last week.

Rev. Chester O. Miller preached his last sermon for the season at the Universalist church last Sunday evening.

His sermon this year have been very interesting. He has been with us here for the past six summers and we all wish that he may be with us the coming summer.

The Disciples' Home closed Wednesday for the season.

Mr. J. J. Holmes joined his family Wednesday, returning with them Monday to Lynn, Mass.

The Reading Club will meet at Mrs. Hattie Halnes'.

Mrs. John Heald is gaining.

Mary had a little lamb.

So we have left been told.

Two hundred ten years later.

And as Stephen Lambert was said.



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## CANTON HAPPENINGS.

As Observed and Told by the  
Citizen Reporter.

Mrs. A. L. Newman and son, Gerald, have returned to their home in Auburn.

Henry Whittemore of Rumford was in town Friday.

Miss Clyde DeCosta has returned to Washington, D. C.

The meeting of the Cow Testing Association of Oxford Co. was held at the home of Chas. E. Richardson, Thursday, and was fairly attended. The forenoon was devoted to business. In the afternoon an extremely interesting lecture on "Diseases of Cattle" by Dr. Russell of Orono was given. W. R. Redman, assistant State dairy instructor of Orono, and Alfred Cook of Presque Isle, the tester for the association, were present. The meeting was pronounced by all to be the best and most profitable of the season. The next meeting will be held at Sumner, Oct. 8th.

G. F. Towle was at Livermore Falls Monday.

Mrs. Jane Benson and daughter, Cora Benson, of Brockton, Mass., are guests of the former's sister, Mrs. C. F. Oldham, and family.

Mrs. Georgia Blanchard and three children, Ralph, Beatrice and Mabel, attended the Blanchard family reunion at East Dixfield, Saturday.

Mrs. Melville DeCosta is visiting relatives in Portland and Beverly, Mass.

Mrs. Eva Allen of Norway has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. S. Hampden, and family.

The Misses Arlene and Eva Russell returned this week to their schools in Brockton, Mass.

Boy Cone severely injured his right arm last week.

Mrs. Leslie Street and little daughter have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ralph Gilbert, at Biddeford.

Rathryn Wording is teaching school at Livermore Center.

Mrs. Arthur Briggs is slowly improving in health, being able to ride out a short distance.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowell Gammon of North Livermore have been visiting Mrs. Mary Gammon and family.

Chas. Walte of Rochester, Mass., and Miss Emily Willard of South Portland have been guests of M. A. Walte and family and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Walte. Miss Willard is an instructor in Thornton Academy, Bangor.

Miss A. B. Merrill has returned to Canton.

C. C. Barker attended the Andover Fennema Orange meeting at East Auburn, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Oldham of Biddeford are guests of C. F. Oldham and family.

R. E. McCollister who has been quite ill, is improving. His sister, Miss Filleaux McCollister, of Mexico, has been calling for him.

Mrs. C. E. Richardson and children visited at Livermore Falls Friday.

Allen Lucas of Rumford has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas.

Miss Georgiana Adkins went to Livermore Falls Monday to visit her aunt, Mrs. Celestia Bamford, before returning to her home in Amherst, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gilbert were called to Bethel Thursday by the serious illness from appendicitis of their eldest daughter, Lila M. Gilbert. Tuesday she submitted to an operation at the C. M. G. Hospital, Lewiston.

An unusual sight is witnessed at the home of H. W. Jackson, where a pear tree, which has borne baskets of fruit on it, was in blossom Sept. 8th.

Thursday evening was the annual election of officers of Whitney Lodge, No. 107, F. & A. M., and the following were elected: Master, Abbott Russell; S. W., Alton Tyler; J. W., Adelbert Alley; S. D., Arthur Packard; J. D., A. F. Russell, Jr.; Sec., J. N. Foye; Treas., P. E. Bicknell.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nash of Portland visited friends in town Monday. Mrs. Nash was formerly Miss Katherine Bradford of Canton.

A. M. Briggs and family of Livermore Falls were in town Monday.

Mrs. Bernard Christopher is visiting her old home in New Hampshire.

George Gammon of Massachusetts is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Gammon.

Dr. Chas. J. Burgess and family returned to their home in Lawrence, Mass., Tuesday.

J. H. Blanchard and family of Auburn have been guests of P. C. Barker and family.

The village schools are in session. The teachers are boarding with Mrs. Elene Goding.

Chas. Towle of Rumford visited at W. A. Lucas' Monday.

Quite a number from this place enjoyed the soldiers' excursion to Augusta and Togus last Thursday.

New sheds are being built and improvements made at the Canton fair grounds, preparatory for the annual Canton Fair, which will probably be one of the best fairs ever held on the grounds.

A social dance was held at the Opera House Monday evening. Towle's Orchestra furnished music.

The regular meeting of Evergreen Chapter, O. E. S., will be held on Tuesday evening, Sept. 14th. A full attendance is desired, as there is business to come before the chapter.

Mrs. Celestia Humphrey of Rochester, Mass., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hayford.

## LYNNVILLE.

School began in this district Aug. 30, taught by Miss Fannie Tagalla of Bridgton.

Elliot & Bartlett's pool will start Sept. 6, after a short vacation.

Minie McKen is visiting her brother, Everett, at Bethel.

Melvin Allen has moved into the S. H. Barnham house, now owned by Harry Browne.

Amos McKen and Maurice are to occupy the tenement house.

Hector Rosa has bought a cow of C. N. Eastman.

Anna McAllister is boarding at Hector Rosa's.

## PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Rumford, Me. and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said County; that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of September, A. D. 1909, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

James C. Smith late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof, presented by Frances J. Richardson, the executrix therein named.

George B. Standley, late of Canton, deceased; petition for allowance to widow presented by Ruth E. Standley, widow.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,  
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attested  
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.



